

3-12-12 – Williston – The Vermont Department of Corrections is pleased to announce that we are making improvements to our notification system to rapidly communicate emergency messages to citizens.

The Vermont Department of Corrections purchased a system called TFCC Alert from Columbus, Ohio based [Twenty First Century Communications](#). With TFCC Alert, the Vermont Department of Corrections will be able to send time-sensitive, targeted messages to select groups and geographic areas.

This system is capable of reaching landlines, cellular and VoIP phones, BlackBerrys/PDAs, pagers and TTY/TTD devices for the hearing impaired. It also sends messages via SMS/text messaging, fax and email and can post messages to Facebook and Twitter.

Currently, to be added to a contact database, interested parties need send a letter or an email to the correctional facility of interest and request to be added to their notification system. Citizens are encouraged to register additional methods of contact, such as cell phone numbers, VoIP numbers and email addresses.

The Vermont Department of Corrections is working with TFCC to develop a website interface where members of the public can register themselves by going to a simple website enter as many different forms of contact information and select the location they would like to be notified by. In addition, this website will allow users to update their information as telephone numbers or contact information changes. Users can discontinue participation at any time.

The primary use of the system will be to disseminate messages pertaining to the correctional facility and surrounding community when affected by a perceived, emerging or imminent emergency event. Once registered, members of the community will receive periodic notices from the system when the facility conducts different emergency drills or tests the system.

Once the website interface has been developed, the Vermont Department of Corrections will add a link to our public web page and run another public announcement.

In the mean time, please contact any of the correctional facilities with the following contact information:

First Name and Last Name

Physical Address

Primary Phone Number

Secondary Phone Number

Email Address

TTY Phone Number

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